



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

60 State Street, Wethersfield, CT 06161

<http://ct.gov/dmv>



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### **NOTICE TO VESSEL OWNERS**

Please find enclosed your 2016 vessel registration renewal. We also want to notify you about two changes this year.

The state now requires all vessels to have a Connecticut number. This new requirement also covers all U.S. documented vessels. A documented vessel is registered by the federal government through the U. S. Coast Guard rather than titled and numbered by a state. On your renewal notice this year you will see a CT vessel number rather than the U.S. documented number. It is there for administrative purposes. Your final registration document, which will be mailed to you following your renewal, will only list the U.S. documented number. This administrative change does not affect your renewal.

In addition, another change concerns vessel owners whose municipalities report them to DMV as having delinquent motor vehicle property taxes. A modification to state law in 2013 allows these delinquencies to stop the renewal of a vessel registration until the taxes are paid. The change goes into effect with this renewal. If you have questions concerning outstanding tax payments owed to your municipality, please discuss the matter with your local tax collector. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Please have a safe and fun boating season.